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address the issue on their own by some agreement between the county that charged and the county that housed the prisoner. But again, I do want to note that this is an attempt, as I've noted, to assist counties in meeting the 1114 objectives. It isn't perfect. I don't think we've ever passed a bill in this body that does exactly what we think should be done in every, single political subdivision in the state. It was...the primary amendment (sic), (LB) 1136, is as effective as we could devise a formula for directing dollars to counties that were going to experience cuts. And again, I would note that it doesn't make them whole from all their cuts. We're still expecting that at least 65 percent, of what we're calculating the 1114 cuts will be, will be absorbed by the counties or the miscellaneous political subdivisions in those counties. So it's not...it's not holding them harmless, it's doing the best we can to meet some portion of the reductions that they're going to experience under 1114.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Madam President, members, sometimes we have a philosophy and we go by that philosophy through our life, and then a printout comes along here and changes our mind quickly. And I guess I could be the same way, my county doesn't really gain in (LB) 1136. I guess I overlooked the fact that when you have one program, two programs, you average out, and I think that's what we're after here, averaging out. What you gain in one county, you might lose in another county, but overall it's for the benefit of the state and for all of us. So I do support AM3747. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Madam President, members of the body, I just wanted to comment quickly on 695, the original bill, because there was quite a few statutes that were at odds with each other in terms of reimbursement and what counties charge, not so much what they charge each other, but reimbursement rates. A lot of this...this is what the 695 originally does is clarify many of those, standardizes in the statutes, so that there is a clear understanding. We actually had an Attorney General's Opinion